

## The Democrat.

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### Local and Personal News.

Tuesday, February 2nd was Ground Hog day.

Ladies white kid gloves cleaned by Jones the tailor.

"Uncle" Joe Head, of the Purman neighborhood, was in town Monday, trading.

Dr. W. O. Proctor, was a business visitor at Poplar Bluff over night, last Saturday.

Mrs. James Lofelace and daughter went up to Des Moines, last Sunday to visit for a few days.

Willard Robinson and wife, are the parents of a new baby which arrived last Friday night.

Mrs. E. C. Barrett returned home Tuesday evening from Poplar Bluff, where she had been visiting.

A. G. Paul and wife, of east Doniphan, are the happy parents of a new girl baby which arrived last Thursday.

DeWitt Paul returned to his work at Neelyville last Sunday after spending a week or so here visiting friends and relatives.

County court will meet in regular February term, next Monday, the 7th inst, and will be in session for the rest of the week.

L. J. Williams and wife, of St. Louis, who recently purchased property here, came in the first of the week, to make their home here.

Miss Ethel Johnston, of the High school teaching corps, returned home Tuesday morning, after a short trip to St. Louis.

W. W. McAllister, a Socialist lecturer, of Springfield, Mo., is billed to deliver a lecture at the Court house, tomorrow, Saturday noon, at 1 p. m.

Conductor Lon Roubush, of the branch train is off duty for a few days this week, and a male line man was in charge of the train during his absence.

Dr. H. E. Trues, of St. Louis, has been in Doniphan the past week, in the interest of the Baptist Mission Board, and has preached at the Baptist church in this city several nights this week.

A crew of men were put to work Wednesday morning, repairing the approach to the Current River bridge, which was damaged by the high water. Roadoverseer Will Hope was in charge of the work.

Henry E. Brasher and family came in on the evening train Wednesday, from Big Island, Butler county, where Mr. Brasher is teaching school. The high water in the bottoms caused him to dismiss his school for a few days.

A Mr. Floyd and family, from Illinois, arrived here last Saturday with a car load of household goods and farming implements, and the first of this week moved to the old Brits homestead four miles northeast of town, which Mr. Floyd has purchased.

Rev. Jack Mitchell was in town Tuesday from his home in the Flatwoods neighborhood. He made this office a call while here and stated that he moved from Naylor about two weeks ago to his father's place for the benefit of his wife's health.

Rev. E. A. Woodard, of Poplar Bluff, was here last Sunday and held services at the Presbyterian church, for the benefit of the Episcopalian members here. On account of the extremely bad weather, there was not many people out to the services.

L. Harris, of a mile east of town, on last Thursday lost by death a gray horse, and on Sunday a bay mare that he drove to the buggy died, both having been caused by eating rusty corn fodder. "Uncle" Henry Teubner, who lives near the Bartokora school house, three miles south east of town also lost a horse the past week from the same cause.

C. M. Gooch, the well known west side farmer, who some weeks ago traded his farm to attorney C. O. North, of this city for some bottom land near Neelyville, was here last Friday moving to his new home at Neelyville, where he expects to engage in farming and the real estate business. Mr. Gooch is one of the best farmers in Ripley county and will be greatly missed from his neighborhood.

Louis Walmate, fireman on the branch locomotive, was at Poplar Bluff the first of the week to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Carrie Walmate, who died on Sunday, January 23, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Katherine Arrendale, with whom she made her home. Mrs. Walmate would have been 80 years old on the 29th, of January. She had been a resident of Poplar Bluff many years and was a lady who was highly respected for her many charitable acts in Poplar Bluff.

Ladies' suits cleaned and pressed. Jones the tailor.

We have our new line of spring samples. Jones the tailor.

Eugene Johnston, of Johnston's Pharmacy, made a short trip to Memphis, Tenn., last week, and expected to be home the first of this, but the high water has held him there, and he is liable to stay a few days more.

The regular meeting of the city council last Tuesday night was postponed on account of the high water, to last night, but on account of Councilman W. H. Merrell, of the second ward, being sick, the meeting was again postponed until a future date. The electric light franchise that is being asked for by Homer N. Miles, was to come up for its last reading at this meeting.

Prof. W. L. Barrett, of the Cape Girardeau normal school, field force, was in town Wednesday and Thursday visiting the schools here, where he made interesting talks to the pupils. A reception was given him at the high school last night by the seniors of the high school. Prof. Barrett was formerly in charge of the Poplar Bluff public schools, before accepting the present position.

Rev. E. A. Wilkinson, pastor of the Baptist church of this city, who recently resigned his charge here to accept a similar one at Memphis, Tenn., preached his farewell sermon last Sunday, and expected to be in Memphis, in time to conduct services next Sunday. He left on today's noon train, and will try to make connections in order to make his appointment. The Baptist church people have not yet called a minister for their church here.

Doniphan has been practically cut off from the outside world during the past week, on account of the many washouts on the main line of the Iron Mountain and Frisco. It has been impossible to get a train down the main line of the I. M. since Tuesday, the tracks being washed out near Williamsville, north of Poplar Bluff and near Knobbs south of Corning, Ark., where a bridge on Black River is out. Information received here today stated that the I. M. expected to have trains running on their usual schedule by Monday, as they were making repairs as fast as possible at the different points where the tracks are broken.

Mrs. Nannie Pratt Wilson, wife of Geo. L. Wilson, of the Purman neighborhood, died at her home last Tuesday from pneumonia, and the funeral was held Wednesday and the interment made at Post Chapel cemetery near Current View. The deceased was 46 years old, and a native of Ripley county, being a member of the Pratt family who lived at Pratt post office, in Union township on the west side of the river. Mrs. Wilson was a sister of Mrs. Mary Jane Pratt Harrington, formerly a teacher in the public schools here, but now living in Southwest Missouri. Mrs. Wilson leaves besides her husband, three children and several brothers and sisters to mourn her departure.

Mr. Kitchen, of the St. Louis office of the Iron Mountain and Seft. Carroll, of this division of the road, who were here last week, in response to a request for better train service on the branch after talking to different citizens here, in regard to the time of departure of the noon train, and interviewing citizens at Naylor, made no announcement of a change in time, but did state that they might decide to slow up No. 4, from the south, so that the branch train can connect with it at Neelyville. The present schedule while a little inconvenient for passengers leaving out for St. Louis, gives people living at Naylor and other points on the branch, an hour longer to stay in Doniphan when they come up to transact business or do trading.

### W. F. McClain

W. F. McClain, present county treasurer, is the first candidate to make an announcement for the coming August primary. Mr. McClain is a candidate to succeed himself as county treasurer, a position which he has filled for the past four years, with great credit to himself and to the office. Mr. McClain has been a citizen of the county for many years and has a large circle of friends throughout the county, and in due time will call on the voters and present his candidacy for another term as county treasurer.

### Young Man Wanted.

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### Another Flood.

The high water of last August, when Current river got out of its banks and spread over the low lands adjacent to the river was duplicated again this week, only an inch or two higher than the August rise, but with nothing like the damage done in August, when growing crops, hay and wheat stacks were swept away by the water.

The rain which commenced on last Thursday continued intermittently until toward Monday morning of this week, with a total rainfall here, according to the government gauge, of six inches. The river however commenced to back up considerably on Saturday, but Sunday fell a little, but on Monday morning, began to raise in earnest and by 11 o'clock that night had reached a stage of 23 feet 5 inches, exceeding the August rise by 1 inch, but still not equalling the record breaking rise of March 1904, when it reached a stage of 24 feet, the highest ever known in the memory of any living man.

The Monday morning train left from the depot as usual but on arrival here on the return trip at 9:05 o'clock, the water had covered the tracks to such a depth that it was compelled to stop at the upper end of the yards, where it arrived departed until Wednesday noon, although the water had left the tracks the evening before, a small bridge between had been lifted off its foundation and had to be placed back by the section crew, before the train could cross. The turn table was floated from its foundation and partly turned around so as to require the bridge crew before it can be used. Loaded freight cars were hauled out to Pulaski and held until Wednesday evening. Agent Tanner left the depot Monday morning, but took a telegraph instrument to the Dudley hotel, where messages were sent and received until he was able to get back into the station Wednesday morning.

Burford & Cox, lost a few logs at their mill near the river, but all lumber was wired down. All the companies had crews at work wiring their ties down, and in that manner, kept their losses down to a small number.

Cotton & Son and Blakey Commission Co., scaffolded their stuff up above the high water mark and saved a greater amount of their goods.

People living in the lowlands moved out Monday morning before the water reached them, going to higher ground.

Reports from along the river, as to the damage done if any, have not reached here yet, but outside of fences, there was not much to injure as live stock was taken out of the fields before the river reached flood stage.

Trains on the Iron Mountain and Frisco main lines have been tied up, and but little first class mail has been received here this week, and practically no express matter, as the main line tracks are said to be washed out in several places as well as being under water and it is possible that several days will elapse before freight can be moved.

The rains were general over the country, and this is not the only place that has suffered from an excess of water, and many towns in Arkansas are completely inundated and all connections with them has been cut off.

### A New Method Of Renting.

A serious objection to cash rent is that in years of crop failure, more is demanded of the tenant than the land will produce. There is also a tendency to increase the rent as the land becomes more productive.

An objection to grain rent is that many things that make for better farming are prohibitive. Suppose it cost the tenant fifty cents per load to haul manure and the increase in yield amounts to 75 cents. If the landlord takes only one third, the tenant breaks even. If the landlord gets any larger share, the tenant actually loses money on every load of manure he puts on his fields.

Some method of renting ought to be found that would not have these objections. If we have a farm that is renting for one third grain rent and the land yields sixty bushels of corn with ordinary care and in average seasons, if the landlord will agree to take only one third of the total crop up to 60 bushels, the tenant could afford to haul manure and do many other things that would increase the yield.

Under our present system of renting extensive rather than intensive farming is encouraged. The same work that will grow 100 bushels on the land above referred to might, if put on two acres produce 130 bushels. If the landlord gets one third of every bushel produced the tenant will be better off if he plants the larger acreage. If the landlord got only one third of a certain amount, the tenant could make more to put the same labor on fewer acres, says Beth Hancock, of the Department of Agriculture, state normal school, Cape Girardeau.

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The Schmidts have made a notable exodus. In the London section their number is reduced from 48 to 22, while in the country and suburbs their strength is now only eight as against 18 last year.

Many small tradesmen have given up business since the 1915 directory was compiled. In the London trades section there is a column less of bakers, representing a falling off of about one hundred, but most of the names that have gone are German. In the country and suburbs section there is a drop of about sixty bakers for the same reason. At a time when Great Britain is believed to be a nation of shellmakers the lists of 27 ammunition makers and eight cartridge manufacturers look very modest.

Sixty-nine new trade headings are introduced. They include two makers of periscopes.

### SENORITA CONCHITA GUIROLA



Senorita Guirola is the daughter of Dr. Rafael Guirola of Salvador, one of the prominent scientists who attended the Pan-American scientific congress in Washington.

The average annual wage of a railroad employe in the United States is \$980; only in Australia, New Zealand and Canada does the wage of an employe reach even one-half of that amount; while in Japan it amounts to \$114 a year.

### Arkansas.

For Sale—3,000 acres fine Saline River valley farm land, none more than 3 1-2 miles from railroad, located 38 miles from Little Rock on the main line of Iron Mountain R. R., adjoining 15,000 acres that sold at \$10 to \$25 per acre. Your choice at the low price of \$6 to \$12 per acre on terms to meet your pocket book.

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